

SECRET

Supplement 6 to "The Situation in the Congo" (dated 13 July)

1. Military Situation. No significant change.
2. Foreign Assistance. The Ethiopian Air Force announced it intends to send one C-54 transport tomorrow with ground crews and equipment, to be followed soon by an unspecified number of F-86 fighter aircraft. The Ethiopian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs told our ambassador, however, that this question is still under consideration, although he is sanguine that approval will be obtained. Ghana has agreed to provide pilots to fly the Congo's T-28's in unarmed reconnaissance missions. The first pilots are due to leave Ghana on July 19.

3. Bukavu. The Belgian Consul General reports the town is quiet and looting has not been widespread. The Consul General believes, and our Consul concurs, that the evacuation of the 150-200 remaining Europeans will not require Red Cross or C-130 flights and that all Europeans desiring to leave will be allowed to do so gradually. A refugee reception center has been organized in Rwanda by refugees from Bukavu.

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